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I for one believe that the entire anti-trust suit was initiated erroneously. Microsoft did nothing that any other company would do to protect its product. The concept that they didn't provide access to Netscape and other internet software was false. They did not include that software in the windows program but they did provide that any internet software program could be used in windows. This the same as saying WordPerfect did not include Microsoft word in their program. The internet software and Windows are produced by the same company, Microsoft and they packaged them together which to me makes sense.

A company starts from nothing and becomes the major supplier of a computer operating system. I thought that was the idea of free enterprise, if you built a better mouse trap everyone will flock to your door. Microsoft built a better computer operating system and everyone bought it. The competition could not build a better system to compete so the government steps in to slap them down with a law suit. That is not the free enterprise system I know.

I think the entire suit should be thrown out an let Microsoft get on with designing more and better software.

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